

Crunch, crunch, crunch... The cold northern breeze hits my face as I walk and look through the pine trees. A stalky, tall-racked elk walks closer through the brush. Suddenly, my dad tells me to raise the gun and aim. I follow orders, and as I raise it with my now shaking hands, the thought of an experience was happening that I had dreamed about. This dream, was elk hunting. If I could visit anywhere in the world, I would go to Montana to hunt the ever treasured elk, with my dad. I would go to Montana so I could hunt, camp, and just enjoy the outdoors.

My favorite hobby in the world is to go hunting. A trip to the chilly and beautiful Montana would make a hunter's dream come true. I've watched many episodes on T.V where someone goes elk hunting, but to actually experience it with my dad would be outstanding. I deer hunt all the time around these parts of Tennessee, but elk just seems like it would be so much funner. Maybe if I go we could camp out too.

A wonderful experience of nature is camping. Camping is another reason why I would like to go to Montana. The thought of standing in the freezing temperatures of Montana, but bundling against the fire excites me. I love to camp too and would love to experience it in Montana.

Enjoying the outdoors is wonderful. I live and breathe for the outdoors. That's why I would like to go too. Nature is wonderful. Being with my dad in the outdoors is just irreplaceable of how much I love it. Setting up a tent and enjoying my favorite place is outstanding.

In conclusion, I want to go to Montana so I could hunt, camp, and enjoy the outdoors with my dad. I love all these things to death. That's why I would want to go. If I'm lucky

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my dad just might take me there. This might not be your favorite place you would go, but it is sure my cup of tea. The woods and hunting have my heart, and to spend that time with my dad would be a joy that words can't say.

### Score Point: 5

This response reflects a strong degree of proficiency in expository writing skills. The writer introduces the response by providing a descriptive narrative about elk hunting with his father. This transitions smoothly into the expository mode, with key reasons cited for Montana being the place the writer would like to visit (to go hunting, to camp, and to enjoy the outdoors). Facility in the use of language is exhibited (a stalky, tall-racked elk walks closer through the brush, with my now shaking hands, and bundling against the fire excites me). The response is generally well organized and contains very few writing errors. More specific details describing the outdoors and further development are needed for a higher score.



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